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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Epstein, et al.

SERIAL NUMBER: 10/829,504 EXAMINER: Richard A. Schnizer

FILING DATE: April 21, 2004 ART UNIT: 1635

FOR: STABILIZED APTAMERS TO PLATELET DERIVED GROWTH FACTOR AND THEIR

**USE AS ONCOLOGY THERAPEUTICS** 

**Mail Stop Amendment** 

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the non-final Office Action mailed October 17, 2007 in the above-identified application. With the extension, this response is due on or before April 17, 2008. Enclosed herewith please find Check No. 25491 in the amount of \$1,050.00 to cover this fee.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 23239-558A UTIL. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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